

Megillat Covid

Remember

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God! Remember what we had? Consider and see our situation!

Our future went to strangers, our houses no refuge.

We are like orphans, without a leader, our mothers worry like widows.

Money flowed like water, we burned through earth's resources

But our necks bore a heavy burden, we were weary, we had no rest

We sought comfort from adversaries, and provisions from our rivals

Generations have sinned before You, the children pay for their crimes

We were slaves to our egos, in the grip of our greed

Our souls carried our cravings, before the edge of despair

Now we hide from the fever, from the delirium of our yearnings.

Women have been victims, anti-semitism recurring.

Noble leaders were sacrificed, and our elders have fallen

Black folk have been divested, their young people scared for their lives

Seniors hide behind their doors, children stay at home from school

Hearts have stopped, our joy is fleeting, No dancing at weddings,

We crowned ourselves invincible, that was our fatal sin

Hearts were sickened with disease, eyes are darkened with distress,

From this bottom, we can rise, remember Israel once was desolate

God is gracious and eternal, God's creation can survive this

Don't forget us, don't abandon, your creation and our future.

Turn us toward you, our God, renew our days like before

If we excluded you from our lives, don't reject us, don't be angry

Don't forget us, don't abandon your creation and our future.